

PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES CREDENTIAL

This credential may authorize the following four specializations: school counseling, school social work, school psychology, and school child welfare and attendance services.

REQUIREMENTS:

Specialization 1: School Counseling

1. postbaccalaureate degree study consisting of a minimum of 30 semester hours in a Commission-approved professional preparation program specializing in school counseling, including a practicum¹;
2. recommendation of a California college or university with a Commission-approved Pupil Personnel Services program specializing in school counseling; and
3. passage of the California Basic Educational Skills Test² (CBEST). Out-of-state applicants who have not passed the CBEST may wish to contact their California employer about the possibility of getting a One-Year Nonrenewable (OYNR) Credential pending the passage of CBEST. See the CBEST leaflet (CL-667) for more details.

Applicants prepared outside of California may satisfy requirements 1 and 2 by verifying completion of a postbaccalaureate degree program of at least 30 semester units in school counseling, including the practicum¹. The applicant must also verify eligibility for the equivalent credential authorization in the state where the program was completed. If the out-of-state preparation does not fit this pattern, the applicant must contact a California college or university with a Commission-approved school counseling program for an evaluation. See list on the reverse of this form.

Specialization 2: School Social Work

1. postbaccalaureate degree study consisting of a minimum of 45 semester hours in a Commission-approved professional preparation program specializing in school social work, including a practicum¹;
2. recommendation of a California college or university with a Commission-approved Pupil Personnel Services program specializing in school social work; and
3. passage of the California Basic Educational Skills Test² (CBEST). Out-of-state applicants who have not passed the CBEST may wish to contact their California employer about the possibility of getting a One-Year Nonrenewable (OYNR) Credential pending the passage of CBEST. See the CBEST leaflet (CL-667) for more details.

Applicants prepared outside of California may satisfy requirements 1 and 2 by verifying completion of a postbaccalaureate degree program of at least 45 semester units in school social work, including a practicum¹. The applicant must also verify eligibility for the equivalent credential authorization in the state where the program was completed. The applicant will need a statement from the out-of-state college or university where the school social work program was completed verifying that the course work and practicum within the program focused on school aged children. If the out-of state preparation does not fit this pattern, the applicant must contact a California college or university with a Commission-approved school social work program for an evaluation. See list on the reverse of this form.

Specialization 3: School Psychology

1. two years of postbaccalaureate degree study in a California Commission-approved professional preparation program specializing in school psychology, including a practicum¹;
2. recommendation of a California college or university with a Commission-approved Pupil Personnel Services program specializing in school psychology; and
3. passage of the California Basic Educational Skills Test² (CBEST). Out-of-state applicants who have not passed the CBEST may wish to contact their California employer about the possibility of getting a One-Year Nonrenewable (OYNR) Credential pending the passage of CBEST. See the CBEST leaflet (CL-667) for more details.

Applicants prepared outside of California may satisfy requirements 1 and 2 by verifying the completion of a postbaccalaureate degree program of at least 60 semester hours of course work in school psychology (30 semester hours may be in school counseling), including the practicum¹. The applicant must also verify eligibility for the equivalent credential authorization in the state where the program was completed. If the out-of-state preparation does not fit this pattern, the applicant must contact a California college or university with a Commission-approved school psychology program for an evaluation. See list on the reverse of this form.

¹The practicum must have been completed with school aged children.

²For the CBEST Information Bulletin and registration material, contact the CBEST Program, National Evaluation Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 340880, Sacramento, CA 95834-0880, (916) 928-4001.

Specialization 4: School Child Welfare and Attendance Services

1. professional preparation program specializing in school counseling, school social work, or school psychology, plus a professional preparation program specializing in school child welfare and attendance services including a practicum¹;
2. recommendation of a California college or university with a Commission-approved Pupil Personnel Services program specializing in school child welfare and attendance services program; and
3. passage of the California Basic Educational Skills Test² (CBEST). Out-of-State applicants who have not yet passed the CBEST may wish to contact their California employer about the possibility of getting a One-Year Nonrenewable (OYNR) Credential pending passage of CBEST. See the CBEST leaflet (CL-667) for more details.

Applicants prepared outside of California in school child welfare and attendance services must apply for this credential through, and be recommended by, a California college or university with a Commission-approved Pupil Personnel Services program specializing in school child welfare and attendance services. See the list below.

NOTE: In order to renew the Professional Clear credential the holder must complete 150 clock hours of planned and approved professional growth activities and the equivalent of full-time service for one-half of one school year on the Professional Clear credential. Please refer to the Professional Growth Manual.

¹The practicum must have been completed with school aged children.

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Reference: Education Code Section 44266; Title 5, California Code of Regulations, Sections 80632-80632.5

INSTITUTIONS WITH COMMISSION-APPROVED PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES PROGRAMS

STATE UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES

	sc	sw	sp	cwa
CPSU San Luis Obispo	*X			
CSU Bakersfield	X			
CSU Chico	X		X	
CSU Dominguez Hills	X		X	
CSU Fresno	X	X	*X	X
CSU Hayward	*X		X	
CSU Long Beach	*X	X	*X	X
CSU Los Angeles	X		*X	X
CSU Northridge	X		*X	
CSU Sacramento	*X	X	X	X
CSU San Bernardino	X		X	
CSU Stanislaus	X			
Humboldt State University	X		X	
San Diego State University	X	X	*X	X
San Francisco State University	*X	X	*X	
San Jose State University	*X	X	*X	X
Sonoma State University	X			

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA	sc	sw	sp	cwa
UC, Berkeley		X	*X	X
UC, Davis			X	
UC, Los Angeles		X		X
UC, Riverside	X		X	
UC, Riverside (extension)	X			
UC, San Diego (extension)	X			
UC, Santa Barbara			*X	

PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS

Azusa Pacific University	X		X	
California Lutheran University	X			
Chapman University	*X		*X	X
Fresno Pacific College	X		X	
La Sierra University	X		X	
Loyola-Marymount University	X		X	
National University	X		X	
Point Loma Nazarene College	X			
St Mary's College	X			
University of LaVerne	*X			
University of the Pacific	X		X	
University of Redlands	X			
University of San Diego	X			
University of San Francisco	*X			
University of Southern California		X		X

LEGEND: sc = School Counseling
sw = School Social Work
sp = School Psychology
cwa = School Child Welfare and Attendance

* These institutions have an internship program in addition to the regular program.